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Remarks

Claims 1, 6, 8, and 11-13 have been amended, and claims 4 and 5 canceled.

Claims 1 – 3 and 6 -13 remain in the application. It is believed that no new matter has been added by these amendments, and Applicants respectfully request entry of same into the present application.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 5, 6 and 11-13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate previous claims 4 and 5, and therefore should now be allowable, as are claims 2, 3, 6 and 7 dependent thereon. Claims 11-13 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 8 and any intervening claims.

In addition, claim 8 incorporates by reference claim 1 and the claims dependent thereon. Since claim 1 as amended is now allowable, claim 8, as well as its dependent claims 9 and 10 should also be allowable.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that claims 1-3 and 6-13 be allowed.

A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment in the amount of \$210 for the two extra independent claims under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(h) small entity is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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